

## **British cities**

*Short version*

### **London**

- It is the capital of England
- It is in the south-east of the UK
- It is standing on the River Thames in the south east of the island of Great Britain
- London is first city, which hosted Summer Olympic Games three times
- The population is about nine millions of people
- The double-decker bus is an icon of London There is a lot of famous sights, like London Eye, Buckingham Palace, Tower of London, Big Ben

### **Liverpool**

- It is a home of two Premier League football clubs **Liverpool FC and Everton FC**
- There are two cathedrals Anglican Cathedral and Metropolitan Cathedral
- It is a birth place of **The Beatles**

### **Edinburgh**

- It is the **capital of Scotland**
- It is on the east coast in the northern part of the UK
- The **fringe festival** is one of the most famous festivals
- It is dominated of its imposing 12th century castle – **Holyroodhouse**

### **Cardiff**

- It is the **capital of Wales** and also the **largest city of Wales**
- There is **Cardiff Castle**, and the **Millenium stadium** which is a home of **Welsh Rugby**
- It is in the south-west of the island of Great Britain
- There is an **open air museum** with 40 buildings – St Fagans National History Museum

### **Belfast**

- It is the **capital of Northern Ireland**
- It is in the north-east of the island of Ireland

### **Nottingham**

- Nottingham is known for its forest and castle because they are **home to the Legendary Robin Hood**

### **Oxford**

- **Old university town**
- It lies on the river Thames
- There are 35 colleges

## Cambridge

- **Old university town**
- There is river Cam
- There are **rowing competitions** with Oxford every year
- Cambridge and Oxford are **big rivals**

## Bath

- It is worth of seeing for the remains of its Roman bath built 2 000 years ago
- It is a **health spa** with springs used from Romans

## Manchester

- We can visit the **Museum of Science and Industry**, The Air and Space Museum there
- It is a home of one of the most famous football team **Manchester United**

## Birmingham

- It is a **geographical heart of England** and **second largest city** in Britain
- We can see interesting **Victorian architecture** here
- **It is famous for its Cadbury's chocolate museum**

## Glasgow

- The **biggest city of Scotland**
- **It is an old Victorian town**
- It is the cultural centre and the **heart of the arts in Scotland**

### Doplňující otázky

#### 1. How many times London hosted the Summer Olympic games?

- **London** is first city, which **hosted** Summer Olympic Games **three times**.

#### 2. What town is the home of Robin Hood?

- Nottingham is **home to the Legendary Robin Hood**.

#### 3. Which big cities are lying on the river Thames?

- The cities that lie on the river Thames are London and Oxford.

#### 4. What city is the birth place of Beatles?

- It is Liverpool.

#### 5. What city is the birth place of William Shakespeare?

- His birth place was Stratford-upon-Avon.

#### 6. How far is Oxford from Cambridge?

- **Cambridge** is a little more than **100 kilometres** away from Oxford.

**7. What is second most visited city of England?**

- It is **Stratford-upon-Avon, the birth place of W. Shakespeare.**

**8. What are the common things between Oxford and Cambridge?**

- They are old university cities.
- Both of the cities lie on some river.
- There are **rowing competitions between the towns.**
- Cambridge and Oxford are **big rivals.**

**9. Which cities would you like to visit? Why?**

- I would like to visit ... (pick the best for you)

**10. Which city is the one where is held one of the tennis grandslams every year?**

- The grand slam takes place in south-west part of London.
- The name of the grand slam is Wimbledon.

**11. What nickname has the underground of London?**

- It is called **the Tube.**

**12. Which city is the nearest to Stonehenge?**

- The nearest city is Salisbury.

**13. What is the geographical heart of England?**

- It is Birmingham.

**14. Which city was destroyed by the great fire in 1666?**

- The city that was destroyed was London.

**15. What are the famous sights of London?**

- Pick the most memorable for you. :)

**16. Otázky na Vaše názory:**

- Would you like to take a trip to London? Which part of UK do you like the most? Which places would you like to see?

**Důležitá slovíčka**

fringe	(frindž)	netradiční
imposing	(impouzing)	působivý, impozantní
remain	(rimajn)	zůstat
rowing	(rouing)	veslování
spa	(spa)	lázně